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### **RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF 24 APRIL 2006**

# TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This communication is made in response to the above-referenced Final Office Action and the Examiner's Interview held on 6 July 2006, and it is requested that the Examiner please amend and reconsider the application in view of this communication.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper; Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.